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**PATENT**

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Serial No.:	10/521234	Group Art Unit:	1651
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Title:	METHOD OF DEGRADING PROTEIN USING SULFONIC ACID COMPOUND		

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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a one-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed July 27, 2007, said period of response being extended from December 27, 2007 to January 27, 2008.

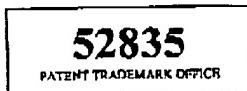
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